

## REDUCTION OF VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

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*The American Minister Resident to the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs*

No. 603

BAGHDAD, IRAQ, February 27, 1939

### EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's note of today's date concerning the agreement which it is the desire of our two Governments to conclude by an exchange of notes for the reciprocal reduction of passport visa fees, and to inform you of the agreement of my Government to the terms thereof set forth in that note as follows:

On and after March 20, 1939, the Government of the United States of America will collect a fee of \$2.00 or the approximate equivalent in other currency for the visa of a passport, including the execution of the application therefor, in the case of nationals of Iraq who enter the United States of America, including the Philippine Islands, temporarily as tourists or temporarily for business or pleasure, and the Government of Iraq from the same date will collect the same fee in the case of nationals of the United States of America, including Philippine citizens, who enter Iraq for any of the above-mentioned purposes.

From the same date the fees for transit visas in the case of nationals of either Government (including Philippine citizens) in continuous transit through the territory of the other (including the Philippine Islands) will be respectively 20 cents or the approximate equivalent in other currency.

This agreement may be terminated by either Government at any time by three months' notice in writing.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my most distinguished consideration.

P. KNABENSHUE

His Excellency

SAYID RUSTUM HAIDAR,

*Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs,  
Baghdad.*

*The Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Minister Resident*

[TRANSLATION]

No. 100/9/3148/Q

BAGHDAD, dated February 27, 1939

YOUR EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's note of today's date concerning the agreement which it is the desire of our two Governments to conclude by an exchange of notes for the reduction by the two countries of passport visa fees, and to inform you of the agreement of my Government to the terms thereof set forth in that note as follows:

On and after March 20, 1939, the Government of the United States of America will collect a fee of \$2.00 or the approximate equivalent in other currency for the visa of a passport, including the execution of the application therefor, in the case of nationals of Iraq who enter the United States of America, including the Philippine Islands, temporarily as tourists or temporarily for business or pleasure, and the Government of Iraq from the same date will collect the same fee in the case of nationals of the United States of America, including Philippine citizens, who enter Iraq for any of the above-mentioned purposes.

From the same date the fees for transit visas in the case of nationals of either Government (including Philippine citizens) in continuous transit through the territory of the other (including the Philippine Islands) will be respectively 20 cents or the approximate equivalent in other currency.

This agreement may be terminated by either Government at any time by three months' notice in writing.

RUSTUM HADAR

His Excellency

Mr. PAUL KNABENSHUE,

*Minister Resident of the United States of America,  
Baghdad.*